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In re the application of:

Brigitte BATHE, et al.

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Examiner: K. Kerr

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For : METHODS FOR PRODUCING AMINO ACIDS IN CORYNEFORM BACTERIA
USING AN ENHANCED sigD GENE (as Amended)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2004 is due by May 24, 2004 (May 23, 2004 being a Sunday). Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed and fully responsive.

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows: